According to a news statement on October 7, 1964, Chief of Police Jesse Curry, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, has officially indicated in a letter to the Warren Commission that he was asked by the FBI on November 22, 1963, to deny that the FBI had failed to warn other agencies about Lee Harvey Oswald. Chief Curry allegedly claims that within a few minutes of his statement to the press in this connection, he was requested by the FBI to retract his statement that the FBI had failed in this regard.

The FBI did not ask Chief Curry or anyone else to deny that it had information regarding Oswald or Oswald's presence in Dallas.

The true facts of the matter are that on November 23, 1963, Chief Curry, upon appearing before television cameras, alleged (1) The FBI customarily advises the Dallas Police whenever an individual of subversive background arrives in Dallas; (2) The FBI recently interviewed Lee Harvey Oswald; and (3) The FBI had Oswald under surveillance in Dallas, however, did not notify the Dallas Police. Although there exists no responsibility to do so, the FBI has on past occasions furnished the Dallas Police information regarding individuals with subversive backgrounds. The remaining statements of Chief Curry were absolutely false. The FBI had never interviewed Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas, Texas. The FBI did not have Lee Harvey Oswald under surveillance in Dallas, Texas.

As a result of Chief Curry's erroneous statements, Mr. Gordon Shanklin, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Office, Dallas, Texas, was instructed to contact the Chief and point out to him the obvious falsity of his statements.

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In reply, Chief Curry told Mr. Shanklin that he had been told by someone, whose identity he did not recall, of this information. Chief Curry admitted that he did not know of his own knowledge that the FBI had either interviewed or had Oswald under surveillance. He told Mr. Shanklin he would be glad to get back on the air and correct his erroneous statements. A short time later Chief Curry was quoted on television correcting his earlier statement.